

Artists of Abraham Lincoln portraits

Edward A. Newnam

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#305-D Parkview Apts.
Collingswood, N.J. 08107

June 4, 1971

Lincoln National Life Insurance Co. Fort Wayne, Indiana

Attention of Mr. R. Gerald McMurtry

Dear Mr. McMurtry:

The enclosed photo-reproduction is from a painting that I made of Abraham Lincoln. It is in life scale and is, as you doubtless are aware, based on the well-known likeness by Alexander Gardner.

After a career of forty years as a portrait painter, I am planning to go abroad with my wife sometime in June. I would like to sell the painting at \$500.00 with frame. My fee is usually twice this amount for a work of this size.

The canvas dimensions are 25 by 30 inches. The overall size is greater, of course, when allowance is made for its frame.

Would you have any suggestions as to selling this portrait? Is there any place that might prove appropriate for displaying it?

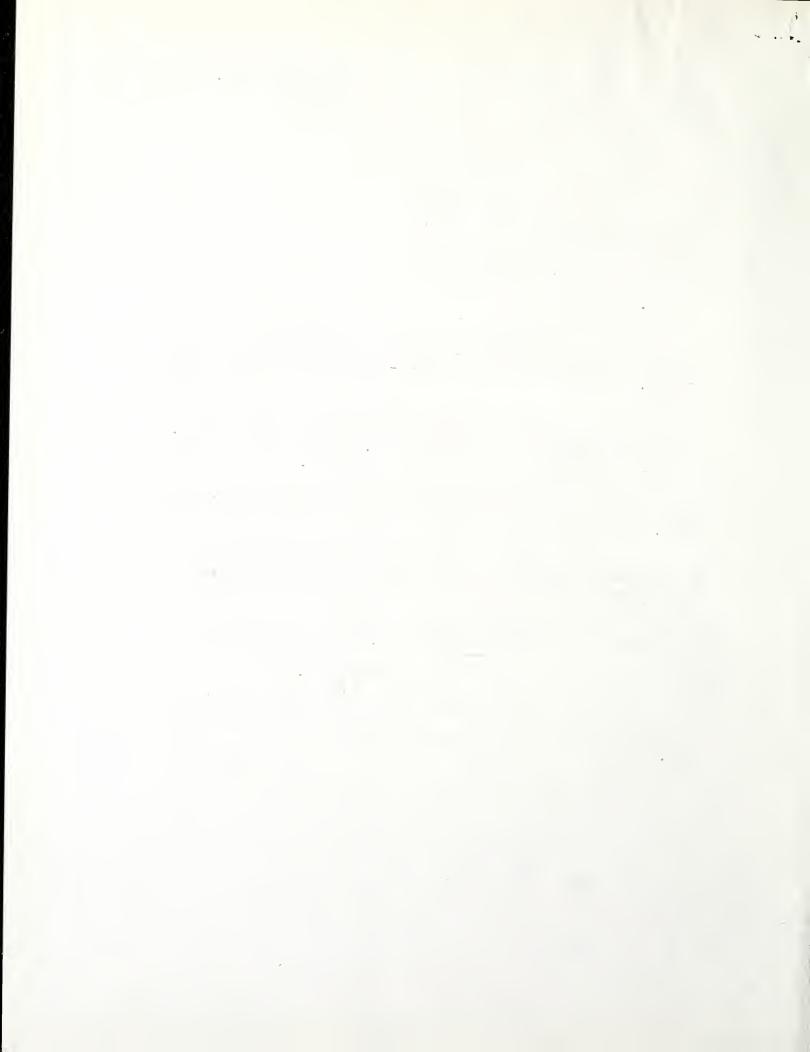
Assuring you that I shall greatly appreciate having your advice on this subject, I am,

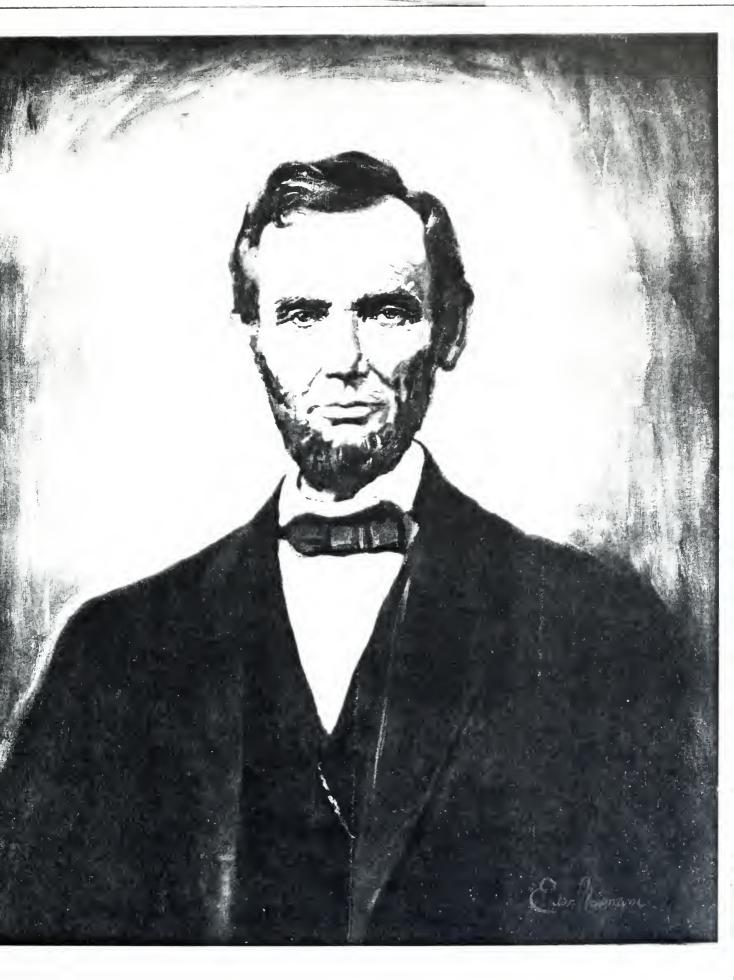
Very sincerely yours

Edward A. Newnam

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P.S. Tell free to keep the photoof you have use for it





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June 7, 1971

Edward A. Newnam #305-D Parkview Apts. Collingswood, N. J. 08107

Dear Mr. Newnam:

I have your letter of June 4th along with the photograph of your excellent painting.

We are not in the market for oil paintings. We have no room to display them. Our funds are primarily used for the purchase of manuscript material and personal relics associated with the Lincolns.

I have no suggestions as to whom you might contact for the sale of your portrait.

I would like to keep your letter and photograph for our files.

Yours truly

R. Gerald McMurtry

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